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Senate Bills 1188 - 1194 Tree removals

Dear Local Government Committee members:

It is aggravating to find out about this hearing only after it has taken place. These bills (SB 1188 - 1194) address an important topic in a shallow and rushed manner fraught with unintended consequences. This is NOT a proper topic for a lame duck session.

The highly publicized example from one community's foolish handling of some blatantly stupid actions by folks that ought to have known better is not a reason to make a hash out of the effective and appropriate actions and policies of the other 99% of local governments across Michigan. Canton Township (and Bloomfield Hills, which is the other poster child for tree-related stupidity) is an outlier, and this situation cannot and should not be generalized.

Please let these bills die a well deserved death in committee, or send them to the floor with a strong recommendation against their adoption.

The issue can be brought up again, with a more carefully considered and tightly tailored response to resolve the specific abuses committed by this outlier community.

Regards,

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